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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

a1 3. (Amended) A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the first string of pocketed coil springs is positioned by being fed longitudinally and then displaced transversely into juxtaposition with the adhesive applicators.

4. (Amended) A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein following application of the adhesive to the first string, the first string is tipped into an upright position such that